GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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FASHION TELEVISION CHANNEL
MADHAVRAO SCINDIA;SHIVAJI MANE;SUDHA YADAV;SUKENDER REDDY GUTHA;SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted a survey of the various TV channels,including the FTV (Fashion Channel) to ensure that the programmes beamed by them are in accord with the set code and culture of India; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to screen, regulate, control and if necessary, ban the objectionable and obscene transmissions beamed from overseas particularly, FTV channel as also by indigenous firms and companies?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a)& (b): Govt. has not conducted any survey of the programmes of various satellite channels. However, on receipt of complaints of violation of the prescribed codes, the matter is taken up with the concerned channels. Where found necessary, the programmes of the channels are also monitored. In the event of continued violation of the prescribed codes, the Ministry can notify such channel for prohibiting its transmission by cable operators.